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The Government of the Republic of Turkey took note of the declaration made on 27 April 1992 on behalf of the Republic of Serbia and the Republic of Montenegro, announcing the inception of the "Federal Republic of Yugoslavia", and asserting that the "Federal Republic of Yugoslavia" is the legal and political successor of the former Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia.

The said declaration raises the question of representation of the former Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia by the "Federal Republic of Yugoslavia" at international organizations, including the Conference on Disarmament.

I have the honour to inform you that, under the present circumstances, Turkey cannot recognize the "Federal Republic of Yugoslavia". In this context, the participation of the representatives of that country to the meetings of the United Nations and other related international bodies including the Conference on Disarmament does not prejudice Turkey's position regarding the matter.

The contents of this message has been transmitted to the Secretary-General of the United Nations with a request that it be circulated as a document of the General Assembly. I would be grateful if this letter could be circulated as an official document of the Conference on Disarmament.

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